

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/666,133

Examiner

Shelley Self

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/12/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-5,10 and 11.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 22 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____



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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The amendment filed on May 12, 2005 is sufficient to overcome the prior art reference.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 3--5, 10 and 11 are allowed.

The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record does not disclose or fairly suggest a collapsible mitre saw support comprising a pair of guides, *each of said guides having a break therein positioned generally between said table and said free end such that a first section and a second section of each of said guides is defined and a vertical wall being attached to and extending upwardly away from one of said horizontal walls* in combination with the rest of the claimed limitations as set forth in claims 1 and 11.

The prior art reference, Cleveland discloses a collapsible mitre saw support for supporting a mitre saw. Cleveland discloses the saw support comprising a table, a panel having a front, rear, first side and second side edge, a top and bottom surface, legs, supports attached to the top surface and a pair of guides (12) each of the guides being attached to one of said supports and extending outwardly. Cleveland discloses the guides being hingedly coupled to facilitate collapsing the support. Cleveland however fails to disclose or suggest a break between said table and said free ends and a vertical wall. Therefore, Cleveland neither anticipates nor renders obvious the claimed invention as set forth in claims 1 and 11.

Overby teaches a wall table having guides hingedly attached and a break between the free end of the guide (fig. 1) and the wall. However, Overby teaches that the guides act as a table in conjunction with that section prior to the break and does not support a mitre saw. Further, there is no motivation to combine Overby with Cleveland. Additionally, neither Cleveland nor Overby disclose or fairly suggest a vertical wall being attached to and extending upwardly away from one of said horizontal walls. Therefore, Overby fails to anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention as set forth in claims 1 and 11.

Neither the prior art of record, nor any combination thereof discloses the claimed invention as set forth in claims 1 and 11. Accordingly claims 1, 3-5, 10 and 11 are deemed allowable over the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Response to Arguments


Applicant's arguments, filed May 12, 2005, with respect to the Cleveland and Overby prior art references have been carefully considered and are persuasive. Therefore the rejection(s) have been withdrawn.

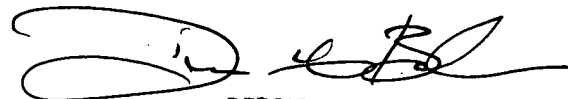
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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shelley Self whose telephone number is (571) 272-4524. The examiner can normally be reached Mon-Fri from 8:30am to 5:00pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's Supervisor, Derris Banks can be reached at (571) 272-4419. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9306 for regular and After Final communications.

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